



# Music In The Air

*A compilation of music events to  
promote integration through the arts*

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= outdoor performance  
bring lawn chair, blanket, etc.



- 05/31 **Rani Arbo & Daisy Mayhem** 203-431-6501 Free  
7:00p Wicked grooves, sublime lead singing, great harmonies, sparkling original songs, and a deep repertoire that spans 200 years of American music. Four people who share an irresistible chemistry on stage. An unusually gleeful string band that celebrates both tradition and improvisation and that stumps the categorizers. (Are they an agnostic gospel band? A homeopathic bluegrass band? Are they crazy?). Worth seeing...  
Ballard Park Rain = Ridgefield Playhouse  
Ridgefield <http://www.chirpct.org/>
- 06/01 **Drumming at the Labyrinth** <http://www.chirpct.org/> (860) 567-3163 [\\$ 35 includes lunch](#)  
9-12 Enjoy a morning drumming at Wisdom House's seven-circuit outdoor labyrinth with master drummer, John Marshall. This pastoral setting will make it easy to be united with nature and each other. Bring a cushion, blanket, or folding chair and drum, if you have one.  
Scholarships available.  
Wisdom House  
Litchfield
- 06/01 **Toots and the Maytals** 860-542-5531 \$46-61  
8:00p Toots Hibbert is one of the great voices of Jamaica; a legend whose career spans every development in Jamaican music, from ska through rock-steady to reggae. Toots and the Maytals have helped to chart the course of Jamaican music with unrivaled delivery and dynamism, setting new standards of excellence, and becoming the most enduring of all Jamaica's groups  
Infinity Hall, Rt. 44 <http://www.infinityhall.com/calendar>  
Norfolk

- 06/01 ***Too Blue – hosts HSC Open Bluegrass Jam*** 203-925-9064 Free  
 8-11 Bring your instruments, open stage jam  
 90 Huntington St. [www.huntingtonstreetcafe.com](http://www.huntingtonstreetcafe.com)  
 Shelton
- 06/02 ***All Jazz First Thursday presents*** 203-525-3939 \$ 7-15  
 5:30- ***Glenda Davenport & John Mobilio***  
 7:30p Enjoy the sounds of jazz with talented New York jazz vocalist Glenda Davenport and multi-talented bassist John Mobilio, accompanied by James Santucci on piano and drummer Jack Varanelli  
[Mattatuck Museum](http://www.mattatuckmuseum.org), 144 West Main Street  
 Waterbury
- 06/02 ***Verdi's Il Trovatore\* Encore presentation*** 860-489-7180 \$18-20  
 7:30p Live in HD. *Running Time: 3 hours, 15 minutes*  
 Nancy Marine Studio, 68 Main Street [www.Warnertheater.org](http://www.Warnertheater.org)  
 Torrington
- 06/02 ***Bonerama*** 860-542-5531 \$20-30  
 8:00p When Bonerama struts onstage with its four-trombone frontline, you can guess it's not quite like any rock 'n' roll band you've seen. When they tear into some vintage New Orleans funk, there's no questioning from which city these guys hail. And when those 'bones start ripping into Hendrix and Led Zeppelin licks, all stylistic bets are off.  
 Infinity Hall, Rt. 44 <http://www.infinityhall.com/calendar>  
 Norfolk
- 06/02- ***Mad Bomber*** 203-591-8223 \$  
 06/26 World Premiere. Book and Lyrics by Charles Monagan, Music by Richard DeRosa  
 Who is George Metesky? In 1957, a media frenzy over a series of bombings in New York City leads to a quiet street in Waterbury. "Mad Bomber" is a vibrant, riotous tale of two cities – set to music – of cops, politicians and tabloid reporters, and ultimately the triumph of hope and love (and justice) over a terrorist's master plan. Connecticut Magazine Editor and writer Charles Monagan and musical director/composer Richard DeRosa (Fold, Spindle and Mutilate; Aches and Pains), along with director Semina De Laurentis and choreographer Janine Molinari, join together to bring to life this exciting World Premiere on the Seven Angels stage. Buy now for the best seats. Tickets are selling fast.  
 Seven Angels Theater, 1 Plank Road  
 Waterbury
- 06/03 ***Twiddle*** 860-542-5531 \$20-30  
 8:00p Twiddle, a Vermont-based quartet, spins tall-tales over an intricate soundscape of Hi-def shred. Twiddle has started a frenzy on both coasts with complexities that conjure up Coltrane, Ranglin, and Zappa, yet still embracing the roots of jam-band traditions. Finally, a group of musicians who not only understand climactic build and release, but deliver their intricate compositions night after night to jazz purists and screaming fans, all at the same time. Twiddle is a sound that defiantly weaves and dodges through genres. It's three-dimensional music.  
 Infinity Hall, Rt. 44 <http://www.infinityhall.com/calendar>  
 Norfolk

- 06/04 ***The Dulcimer Folk Association*** 203-272-8404 \$14-16  
 7:30p Don't miss the Dulcimer Folk Association of Connecticut's 16th Annual Coffeehouse Concert in this benefit performance for the Sounding Board. The Dulcimer Folk Association was organized 20 years ago by a group of folks who wanted to share their music. Come out and get acquainted with these folks who play an assortment of acoustic folk instruments such as mountain (Appalachian or lap) dulcimer, hammered dulcimer, autoharp, guitar, mandolin, viola, and more! They invite everyone to sing along, hum or harmonize with the choruses.  
 The Universalist Church of West Hartford, 433 Fern Street  
 West Hartford <http://www.folknotes.org/>
- 06/04 ***Berkshire Big Band*** 860-354-7264 \$10-20  
 8:00p Stu Back again to fill the stage with performers and the room with sound, this 17-piece band will have your toes tapping and some of us dancing in the aisle. Players include area school band directors and retired music teachers. Vocalist Jan Maki adds the lustre to the "Great Music from Great Bands" theme, including signature arrangements from the Woody Herman, Buddy Rich, Stan Kenton, Ellington, Basie, and Miller eras.  
 Merryall Center for the Arts, 8 Chapel Hill Rd.,  
 New Milford,
- 06/04 ***Almost Queen: Tribute to Queen*** 860-542-5531 \$28-43  
 8:00p Almost Queen succeeds in blending the vocal layering and studio precision that is a signature of the band with the energy and spectacle of a live stage production. Elaborate lighting, effects and costumes aptly frame the seasoned musicians who step into these very large shoes to effectively render an authentic "Queen experience." The band boasts an unbroken string of sold-out theaters from New York to San Diego, while headlining major rock festivals in a number of foreign countries as well as the US.  
 Infinity Hall, Rt. 44 <http://www.infinityhall.com/calendar>  
 Norfolk
- 06/04 ***The Desultory Theatre Club in 3D*** (860) 944-1124 \$10  
 7:45-10 An Evening of Original Theatre, Burlesque, Music & Art!! Brought to you in 3-D!!! Take a stand against boredom! Get off that couch and Support your Local arts!! Original Burlesque numbers by Dot Mitzvah! Original music - Bipolar Jukebox! From Boston - Original Theatre: "Vapor, Liquid, Snow, Solid" - By: Danny Balel. Mature language – 18 and over.  
 Artwell Gallery, 19 Water Street [Click to Visit](#)  
 Torrington
- 06/05 ***Nobody's Business Trio*** 860-868-0569 \$ 5-15  
 4:00p ***& the RCC Children's Choir*** - benefit concert  
 First Congregational Church of Washington, 6 Kirby Road  
 Washington
- 06/05 ***Mister G*** 860-354-7264 Free  
 3:00p Like those last few seconds before recess, the wait is unbearable. Tapping their feet, humming favorite songs: the crowd is antsy. Where's Mister G? Off stage, the funky guitar kicks in, and tiny hands reach for the sky. By the time Mister G appears with his trademark hat and bright red shoes, high-pitched shrieks threaten to crack windows. Ben Gundersheimer has been writing children's music for decades, entertaining around the world, emphasizing environmental issues and unleashing kid's creativity.  
 Merryall Center for the Arts, 8 Chapel Hill Rd.,  
 New Milford,

06/05 **Garland Jeffreys** 860-542-5531 \$30-45  
8:00p The legendary Garland Jeffreys has done it all. This Brooklyn native attended Syracuse Univ. where he spent a year studying art history in Florence, Italy. Back home he began his career in Greenwich Village clubs and has since released numerous critically acclaimed albums included Ghost Writer, Escape Artist and Don't Call Me Buckwheat featuring a roster of guest artists such as Lou Reed, Dr. Infinity Hall, Rt. 44 <http://www.infinityhall.com/calendar>  
Norfolk

06/06 **Diana Krall** (203) 438-5795 \$ 95-110  
8:00p Three time Grammy Award winner and eight time Juno Award winner, Diana Krall, will be doing a **very limited** tour. Considered one of the best selling artists of all time having sold millions of studio albums, Diana Krall's voice is considered to be one of the best in the jazz world. Don't miss this once in a lifetime chance to see her up close in a rare intimate performance! A Canadian native, Krall grew up with music in her house constantly. She received a scholarship for the Berklee College of Music playing Jazz piano. Her latest album, Quiet Nights," debuted at number three on the U.S. Billboard 200, with 104,000 units sold in its opening week. The album debuted at number one on the Billboard Jazz Albums, making it Krall's sixth consecutive number-one album  
Ridgefield Playhouse, 80 East Ridge <http://www.ridgefieldplayhouse.org/allshows.asp>  
Ridgefield



06/07 **Houston Jones** 203-431-6501 Free  
7:00p Houston Jones is a California based high octane Americana quintet. Formed in 2001, the band performs a strong original repertoire that ranges from bluegrass and folk to blues and gospel  
Ballard Park Rain = Ridgefield Playhouse  
Ridgefield <http://www.chirpct.org/>

06/07 **Willie Nininger** (860) 824-2637 Free  
3:00p Folk legend Willie Nininger returns to Geer Village.  
Geer Village, 77 South Canaan Road, Hollenbeck Room  
North Canaan

06/07 **Open Mic hosted by Chris Ellis** (860) 350 5995 Free?  
8:30p 59 Bank Street  
New Milford

06/08 **Brian Wilson** (203) 438-5795 \$ 98-110  
8:00p Legendary songwriter, producer, arranger and best known as the leader and chief songwriter of The Beach Boys, Brian Wilson will perform Beach Boys classics as well as songs from his latest album, "Brian Wilson Re-imagines Gershwin." In addition to being the heart and soul behind the sound of the Beach Boys, Wilson has been inducted into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame, which refers to him as "One of the few undisputed geniuses in popular music", and has also won a Grammy Award in 2005 for "Mrs. O'Leary's Cow (Fire)" as Best Rock Instrumental.  
Ridgefield Playhouse, 80 East Ridge <http://www.ridgefieldplayhouse.org/allshows.asp>  
Ridgefield

06/08 **Coffee House** 860-567-8302 Free  
7:00p presented by The Litchfield Writers Guild. Original stories and poems that run the gamut from a group of local writers including musical interludes by pianist Hank Milligan. Refreshments will be served.  
Time: Doors open at 6:30 pm, readings begin at 7:00 pm.  
Litchfield Community Center, 421 Bantam Road  
Litchfield <http://www.thecommunitycenter.org/>



06/08 **Tony Hoagland and Patricia Hale** 860-677-4787 Free  
6:30p **Music by Ol'Skool**  
Born in 1953 in Fort Bragg, North Carolina, Tony Hoagland writes poems that comment on contemporary American life and culture. He has won many awards. In 2002, the American Academy of Arts and Letters praised the poet's work with a citation stating, "Tony Hoagland's imagination ranges thrillingly across manners, morals, sexual doings, kinds of speech both lyrical and candid, intimate as well as wild."

Patricia Hale is a poet whose work has appeared in many journals and she has won many awards. In 2009, she was granted a residency at Hedgebrook, during which many of the poems in her award-winning chapbook were written. She lives in West Hartford, Connecticut, where she reads and writes and facilitates a writing group modeled on the Amherst Writers and Artists method.

Ol' Skool is an 11-piece horn band comprised of professional musicians from the Northeast playing the hits of Tower of Power, Stevie Wonder, Blood Sweat & Tears and Chicago. The members of this group enjoy a vast resumé of playing experiences from The Temptations, The Four Tops, Melissa Manchester, as well as The Maynard Ferguson Big Band and Show Bands of Foxwoods and The Mohegan Sun casinos. Recent concerts at area venues have been to standing room only audiences.

Boxed suppers will be available by pre-order purchase, or bring your own picnic from home. Picnicking will be allowed on the West Lawn and in select locations in the Sunken Garden. Hill-Stead's Sunken Garden is wheelchair accessible. Parking: On-site, \$10 per vehicle. Free public parking available on a limited basis at Brickwalk Shops, off High Street.

Hill-Stead Museum, 35 Mountain Road (rain = on site location)  
Farmington

[http://www.hillstead.org/activities/poetry\\_performseries.html#facts](http://www.hillstead.org/activities/poetry_performseries.html#facts)

06/09 **Jimmy Webb** 860-542-5531 \$35-45  
8:00p Jimmy Webb is the only artist to ever receive Grammy awards for music, lyrics, and orchestration; he is a member of the Nat'l Academy of Popular Music Songwriter's Hall of Fame, the Nashville Songwriter's Hall of Fame, and, according to BMI, his "By The Time I Get To Phoenix," has been the third most performed song in the last fifty years; with "Up, Up and Away" on the same list in the top thirty.  
Infinity Hall, Rt. 44  
Norfolk <http://www.infinityhall.com/calendar>

06/09 **Smokey Robinson** 203.346.2002 \$ 55-100  
7:30p Celebrating his 50th anniversary in the music business and the 50th anniversary of Motown Records, Smokey Robinson is one of the most beloved and influential figures in the history of popular music. The Grammy Lifetime Achievement Award recipient has logged 37 Top 40 hits in his extensive career, lending his sterling pen and satin vocals to such mega hits as "Shop Around," "Tracks of My Tears," "You've Really Got a Hold on Me," "Tears of a Clown," "I Second That Emotion," "Going to a Go--Go" and "Cruisin'," among others.  
Palace Theater, 100 East Main Street  
Waterbury <http://www.palacetheatrect.org/>

- 06/09 ***Sounds of the Big Band, Dixieland, & Jazz Eras*** (860) 489-6684 Free/register  
 6:30p Join Vincent Cassotta as he covers the classics from music's most swingin' eras! This a summer must for lovers of jazz, brass, and the spirit of the jazz and Dixieland ages. Bring the whole family and reminisce about days gone by.  
 Torrington Library, 12 Daycoeton Place  
 Torrington
- 06/10 ***Ticket to Ride: A Tribute to the Beatles*** 203.346.2002 \$ 15-25  
 8:00p Ticket To Ride is an exhilarating tribute to The Beatles like no other! The boys have performed for thousands of fans at theaters, clubs, private parties, outdoor festivals, fundraisers and more ... all to rave reviews. Unlike other tributes that simply replicate the look and feel of Liverpool's mop-tops, Ticket To Ride captures the true sound of The Beatles with their note-perfect vocal stylings and harmonies, as well as by using only authentic equipment to perform the music as it was originally presented. This is as close as it gets, and it's what makes Ticket To Ride the one Beatles tribute not to be missed!  
 This event will be staged in the Palace Rotunda. **Orchestra Lobby Seating: \$25**  
**Mezzanine Lobby Standing Room Only: \$15**  
 Palace Theater, 100 East Main Street <http://www.palacetheatret.org/>  
 Waterbury
- 06/10 ***Tom Tom Club*** (203) 438-5795 \$55-60  
 8:00p In 1981, rock and roll hall of fame inductees Chris Frantz and Tina Weymoth took a break from their band Talking Heads and recorded the first Tom Tom Club record down in Nassau, Bahamas. Creating a funky hybrid of dance, soul and reggae with a completely different sound from Talking Heads, it was their first gold album. The first single from that album, "**Wordy Rappinghood**," was an international smash. The second single, "**Genius Of Love**," was one of the very first hip hop hits and has been recorded and sampled by more than fifty different artists from Grand Master Flash to P Diddy, and Mariah Carey.  
 Ridgefield Playhouse, 80 East Ridge <http://www.ridgefieldplayhouse.org/allshows.asp>  
 Ridgefield
- 06/10 ***Spirit Song*** (203) 888-3455 \$20-25  
 4:00p Worship / Contemporary  
 The Congregational Church of Naugatuck, 9 Division Street  
 Naugatuck <http://www.cityfest.us/spiritsongministries/index.htm>
- 06/10 ***Too Blue*** 203-925-9064 Free  
 8-11p Huntington St. Café, 90 Huntington St. [www.huntingtonstreetcafe.com](http://www.huntingtonstreetcafe.com)  
 Shelton
- 06/10 ***Marshall Tucker Band*** 860-542-5531 \$65-80  
 8:00p "The buying public never really cared whether we were country or rock and roll" says Gray. "They called us a Southern rock band, but we have always played everything from country, jazz, blues, Rock & Roll and all things in-between. As we've become older our Southern heritage seems to come out even more. But no matter how old we get, we can still rock your socks off." Gray also notes that people have gotten "married and buried" to classic MTB songs like "Desert Skies" and "Can't You See". After 37 years, The Marshall Tucker Band continues to be played on classic rock and country radio, and they have never stopped touring.  
 Infinity Hall, Rt. 44 <http://www.infinityhall.com/calendar>  
 Norfolk

- 06/11 ***Now Hear this! Open Mic Night*** (860) 944-1124 \$ 5 donation  
 8-10p Calling all performers! To sign up please arrive at 7:30 For more info. contact Wilbo at 860 9218041  
 Artwell Gallery, 19 Water Street [Click to Visit](#)  
 Torrington
- 06/11 ***Spring Piano Recital*** 860-379-7055 Free  
 2:00p Young piano students of Christine Brodzik Piano Studio perform solo selections of classical to contemporary music.  
 Litchfield Community Center, 421 Bantam Road  
 Litchfield
- 06/11 ***Duo Daru*** (860) 364-5688 \$20  
 8:00p Duo Daru features Keren Schweitzer, flute and Jason Lippmann, cello. Cellist Jason Lippmann joined the Los Angeles Philharmonic during the 2004/2005 season after five years of performing as a member of the New Jersey Symphony orchestra. Flutist Keren Schweitzer is an active performer, having performed on several occasions with the Los Angeles Philharmonic, and is currently an LA Philharmonic teaching artist  
 Sharon Congregational Church, Main Street  
 Sharon
- 06/11 ***Robin Trower*** (203) 438-5795 \$60  
 8:00p Often compared to Jimi Hendrix, Robin Trower first achieved success with Procol Harum during the 1960s, and then again as the bandleader of his own power trio. He still performs to sold out audiences of avid rock fans, guitar geeks, blues aficionados and classic –rock die hards  
 Ridgefield Playhouse, 80 East Ridge <http://www.ridgefieldplayhouse.org/allshows.asp>  
 Ridgefield
- 06/11 ***James Montgomery & the Uptown Horns*** 860-542-5531 \$35-45  
 8:00p When blues legend James Montgomery plays the harmonica, he "brings it on home." Whether it's recording with Kid Rock, sitting in with Gregg Allman, or fronting his hot band of thirty years, Montgomery plays with authority. While growing up in Detroit he learned first-hand from the masters - James Cotton, John Lee Hooker, and Jr. Wells - at the legendary "Chessmate." Over the years, he's carried on in the tradition and continues to be a vital presence in Blues as one of the most dynamic performers on the scene.  
 Infinity Hall, Rt. 44 <http://www.infinityhall.com/calendar>  
 Norfolk
- 06/11 ***Prince Royce*** 203.346.2002 \$ 40-75  
 8:00p Prince Royce's creative fusion of styles, melodious voice, charisma, and steady tenacity have earned him international recognition and critical acclaim. His platinum self-titled debut album garnered a 2010 Latin GRAMMY® nomination and three 2011 Premio Lo Nuestro Awards, and included his hit single "Stand By Me," a bilingual and bachata cover of the classic Ben E. King song, "Stand By Me." Creating a unique fusion of bachata with contemporary rhythms like Pop and R&B, Royce has been credited with introducing the genre of bachata to a worldwide mainstream audience, positioning the talented 21-year-old to become a major force in the entertainment industry  
 Palace Theater, 100 East Main Street <http://www.palacetheatrect.org/>  
 Waterbury

06/11 **Steam Vent Coffee House** 860-482-3491 donation \$10  
6-10p Please visit our Steam Vent Cafe from 6-8 PM serving up light supper selections, snacks and beverages. If you would like to perform, call Debbie at 860-482-3491 or email [info@firstchurchofwinsted.org](mailto:info@firstchurchofwinsted.org).  
First Church of Winsted, 95 North Main Street  
Winsted

06/11 **Lorelei Trio** 860-354-7264 \$10-20  
8:00p Back after an impressive Merryall debut last year, the Lorelei Piano Trio will again mix classical chamber music with new variations and ideas. This international trio has established an excellent worldwide reputation, garnering praise and awards individually and as a group, in their few short years. Alexandr Dzyubinsky, on violin; Benjamin Larsen, on cello; and Yoon Lee, on piano, will demonstrate the reputation is well deserved. We are honored to have them back on stage.  
Merryall Center for the Arts, 8 Chapel Hill Rd.,  
New Milford,

06/11 **Chamber Music Flute and Cello Benefit Concert** 860-364-5688 Donation?  
8:00p for Sharon Historical Society  
Keren Schweitzer and Jason Lippmann, Chamber music flute and cello benefit concert  
Sharon Congregational Church - 18 Main Street,  
Sharon



06/11 **School Music Festival** 203-758-2913 Free / \$6 parking  
Seventh Annual School Music Festival noon to 5 p.m. at the Carousel Theatre. School bands, orchestras, choruses perform. Schools may contact the park for performance information. Free admission to the festival. Fees for rides, attractions, food  
Quassy Amusement Park, 2132 Middlebury Road / Rt. 64  
Middlebury

06/11- **Babes in Hollywood** 860-489-7180 \$22  
06/19 Get ready to swing, sway and swoon to over 30 of the most glorious songs of the Twentieth Century as you go on a magical journey from the soundstages of Hollywood to the stages of Broadway in a salute to the legendary musical careers of Judy Garland and Mickey Rooney. F/Sa 8pm; Sun 2pm  
Nancy Marine Studio, 68 Main Street [www.Warnertheater.org](http://www.Warnertheater.org)  
Torrington

06/12 **The King's Singers** 860.542.3000 \$25-90  
4:00p. One of the world's most celebrated vocal groups, The King's Singers have a packed schedule of concerts, recordings, media and education work that spans the globe. Championing the work of young and established composers, they remain consummate entertainers; a class-act with a delightfully British wit. From Gesualdo and György Ligeti to Michael Bubl , The King's Singers are instantly recognizable for their spot-on intonation, their impeccable vocal blend, their flawless articulation of the text and incisive timing.  
Norfolk Chamber Music Festival, Routes 44 & 272 (across from the Norfolk Town Green)  
Norfolk [www.norfolkmusic.org](http://www.norfolkmusic.org).

- 06/12 ***Nancy Tucker*** 860-354-7264 \$10-20  
 3:00p Nancy's songs are filled with fun, frolic, and life-affirming messages. It all happens in this show for people of all ages. Her mission is to honor the playfulness of spirit in each of us that lets everyone win. Families sit together and enjoy watching each other as much as they enjoy the performance! Last year, her adult performance impressed us. This year, it's the children's turn! She captures each audience's imagination and heart with gentle invitation and contagious lunacy.  
 Merryall Center for the Arts, 8 Chapel Hill Rd.,  
 New Milford
- 06/12 ***Lori McKenna*** 860-542-5531 \$30-40  
 7:30p Lori McKenna's first name is actually Lorraine. Now you know. She is named after the mother she lost when she was only seven, but whose impact on Lori's life reverberates to this day. In her sixth album, Lorraine, she considers the influence of her mother, who died at roughly the same age Lori is now, as well as her own place in relationship to her husband, family and community.  
 Infinity Hall, Rt. 44 <http://www.infinityhall.com/calendar>  
 Norfolk
- 06/13 ***Handler & Levesque*** (860) 824-2637 Free  
 3:00p guitar virtuoso's Judy Handler & Mark Levesque perform a varied program of music for guitar.  
 Geer Village, 77 South Canaan Road, Hollenbeck Room  
 North Canaan
- 06/13 ***Jimmie Vaughan & the Tilt-a-Whirl Band*** 860-542-5531 \$60-80  
 8:00p ***Featuring Lou Ann Barton***  
 When Jimmie Vaughan says "I have the best job in the world," he isn't kidding. For more than four decades, the guitar-slinging Texan legend has been earning his living rockin' the blues, and nothing makes the man happier. But now, Vaughan is even more excited about his gig than usual—for his newest release he's consulted the vast blues encyclopedia that resides deep inside of his head and come up with a nearly all-covers set best described by its unambiguous title: Blues, Ballads and Favorites.  
 Infinity Hall, Rt. 44 <http://www.infinityhall.com/calendar>  
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- 06/14 ***Open Mic hosted by Chris Ellis*** (860) 350 5995 Free?  
 8:30p 59 Bank Street  
 New Milford
- 06/14 ***Kent Singers*** 860-619-8110 \$8-10  
 3:00p The Kent Singers an auditioned group of singers that has performed in the area for 38 years, will present--Songs for a Summer Afternoon--an a capella concert suited for its historic setting.  
 Stone Church, New Preston Hill Road  
 New Preston
- 06/14 ***Housatonic Youth Services Bureau:*** 860-824-4720 \$?  
 1:00p ***Music on the Mountain***  
 Grade School through Post Graduate students perform Classical Music, Jazz and Vocal Music.  
 225 Music Mountain Road <http://www.musicmountain.org/index.html>  
 Falls Village/Canaan



06/14 **Milton & his Band** 203-431-6501 Free  
 7:00p A lively, rootsy band of musicians known for their soul-stirring performances and led by Milton, a troubadour with a most distinctive voice.  
 Ballard Park Rain = Ridgefield Playhouse  
 Ridgefield <http://www.chirpct.org/>

06/14 **Los Lonely Boys** 860-542-5531 \$65-95  
 & Can anything even more magical happen in the already charmed career of Los Lonely Boys? You bet.  
 6/15 It's called Rockpango, their first selfproduced long player on their own LonelyTone/Playing In Traffic  
 8:00p Records. And yeah, it's magical indeed.  
 Infinity Hall, Rt. 44 <http://www.infinityhall.com/calendar>  
 Norfolk



06/16- **Gypsy** 203-748-6873 \$15-23  
 07/02 Grounds open at 7:15 p.m. for picnicking. Chair rentals are available on site.  
 8:30p Richter Center for the Arts, 100 Aunt Hack Road [www.musicalsatrichter.org](http://www.musicalsatrichter.org)  
 Danbury

06/16 **Sugar Ray & the Bluetones** 860-542-5531 \$25-35  
 8:00p **featuring "Monster" Mike Welch**  
 Singer and harp man Sugar Ray Norcia's career kicked into high gear in 1979 when he formed the original Sugar Ray & the Bluetones with guitar giant Ronnie Earl, and it has stayed there ever since. Norcia has appeared on nearly 50 albums including discs with the Bluetones, Earl, Otis Grand, Ann Peebles, Michelle Willson, Sax Gordon, Duke Robillard, and his 1999 "Best Traditional Blues" Grammy nominated collaboration with fellow harmonica virtuosos James Cotton, Charlie Musselwhite and Billy Branch called SUPERHARPS.  
 Infinity Hall, Rt. 44 <http://www.infinityhall.com/calendar>  
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06/16 **Medieval Recorder Concert** (860) 567-3163 Donation  
 7:45p Susan Iadone Recorder Workshop will give a performance as a benefit for Wisdom House  
 Wisdom House  
 Litchfield

06/17 **Southside Johnny & The Asbury Jukes** (203) 438-5795 \$58  
 8:00p Having collaborated with other New Jersey artists such as Steven Van Zandt, Bruce Springsteen and Jon Bon Jovi, Southside Johnny has a soul all his own! The R&B fanatic has been bringing his unique horn- backed chords to packed houses for decades. From one sold-out show to the next, "The Worlds Greatest Bar Band" prefers the energy of a live show to recording; playing hits from his albums "This Time It's For Real," "Havin' A Party With Southside Johnny," "At Least We Got Shoes," "Going to Jukesville," and their latest, "Pills and Ammo". Don't miss this energetic night of honest-to-goodness pure Rock n' Roll!  
 Ridgefield Playhouse, 80 East Ridge <http://www.ridgefieldplayhouse.org/allshows.asp>  
 Ridgefield

- 06/17 ***Friday Feast & Dancing Feet*** 860-567-8302 \$ 5  
 12-2 Music by "Smooth Sounds Jazz" & Paradigm HealthCare will provide a BBQ lunch  
 Litchfield Community Center, 421 Bantam Road  
 Litchfield <http://www.thecommunitycenter.org/>
- 06/17 ***Tommy Malone of the Subdudes*** 860-542-5531 \$25-40  
 8:00p If you've ever been to a subdudes' show you can't miss the infectious smile from the man who is front and center in the band. He is their lead singer, lead guitar player, and songwriter, Tommy Malone. Now imagine being able to spend an evening up close and personal as he shares his incredible talent in an acoustic setting, backed up by an amazing multi-instrumentalist & singer, Ray Ganucheau. You will get to hear songs from Tommy's full catalogue of tunes, including many of the subdudes' hits that he wrote.  
 Infinity Hall, Rt. 44 <http://www.infinityhall.com/calendar>  
 Norfolk
- 06/17 ***Summer Solstice: Return of the Mojito King*** 860-868-2878 \$45  
 6p-? Already known as the hottest party for the coolest people around, this year's Summer Solstice Festival promises to positively sizzle with steamy Latin atmosphere, thanks to fabulous music, mouth-watering Caribbean food and cocktails, and original artwork sold at bargain prices as part of our annual Atelier Sale. "If you can't get to Cuba, the next best thing is Washington Depot," proclaims event organizer Abdo Ballester.  
 Washington Art Association, 4 Bryan Plaza  
 Washington
- 06/17 ***Robin O'Herlin*** (860) 824-2637 Free  
 3:00p Roots, blues & gospel with slide guitarist Robin O'Herlin  
 Geer Village, 77 South Canaan Road, Hollenbeck Room  
 North Canaan
- 06/18 ***Rhonda Larson - Flute Concert*** 860-868-0739 \$40  
 4:00p Concert by Rhonda Larson, world renowned flutist to benefit the restoration of Trinity Church Milton's 1823 Pipe Organ built by Thomas Hall.  
 Trinity Episcopal Church, 536 Milton Road  
 Litchfield
- 06/18 ***An Evening of Song*** 860.542.3000 Free  
 7:30p. Susan Narucki (soprano), Donald Bermna (piano). Music of Brahms, Chopin and Ives.  
 Norfolk Chamber Music Festival, Routes 44 & 272 (across from the Norfolk Town Green)  
 Norfolk [www.norfolkmusic.org](http://www.norfolkmusic.org)
- 06/18 ***Ann Martindale & Richard Bush*** 860-354-7264 \$10-20  
 8:00p They specialize in mellow American jazz and popular standards, perfect and timeless songs. They have been performing since 2007 throughout New England. Ann, a mezzo soprano, is regular at area classical music venues. Richard, a Juilliard graduate, has received commissions, including from the Guggenheim Foundation and National Endowment for the Arts. His compositions include vocal and instrumental chamber music, orchestral and choral pieces.  
 Merryall Center for the Arts, 8 Chapel Hill Rd.,  
 New Milford,

06/18 ***Fresh Fest Part 2*** 203.346.2002 \$ 35-125  
8:00p **FRESH FEST** returns to Waterbury for Part 2, bringing audiences a Classic Hip-Hop Reunion featuring live performances by: Naughty By Nature, Slick Rick, EPMD, Special Ed, Digital Underground, Black Sheep, Das EFX, Brand Nubian, Rock Steady Crew, and many more!  
Palace Theater, 100 East Main Street <http://www.palacetheatrect.org/>  
Waterbury

06/18 ***Leo Kottke*** 8 60-542-5531 \$45-55  
8:00p Innovative acoustic guitar virtuoso Leo Kottke was born September 11, 1945 in Athens, Georgia. Raised in 12 different states, he absorbed a variety of musical influences as a child, flirting with both violin and trombone, before abandoning Stravinsky-- "I haven't been that hip since"-- for the guitar at age 11  
Infinity Hall, Rt. 44 <http://www.infinityhall.com/calendar>  
Norfolk



06/18 ***Blues & Jazz Festival*** 203-758-2913 \$  
1:00p Blues and Jazz festival at Quassy Amusement Park in the Fieldside Pavilion. Parking \$6. Admission fee to the festival, which kicks off at 1 p.m. Fees for rides, attractions, food.  
Quassy Amusement Park, 2132 Middlebury Road, Route 64,  
Middlebury



06/18 ***Danbury Symphony Orchestra*** 203.792.1711 Free/donation  
7:00 ***Romeo and Juliet*** and themes from ***Carmen***, rhythmically exciting ***Mars and Jupiter***, and a variety of well known pieces by **Leroy Anderson** Bring a chair(or rent one of ours) and a picnic and enjoy the show! Opening acts begin at 7:00pm, main acts take the stage at 8:00pm..  
CityCenter Bandshell, on the Green, Ives Street  
Danbury



06/18- ***Festival on the Farm*** 860-567-4045 ?  
06/19 Formerly... A Taste of The Litchfield Hills. We welcome you to CT's Oldest Winery for music, wine, food and fun. There will be crafters, vendors and food from throughout New England represented at this year's festival. Celebrate the kick off of our new "Vineyard Walk" Hours are: Saturday & Sunday 11-6pm. Wine Celler Tours hourly each day.  
Haight Vineyard - 29 Chestnut Hill Rd.,  
Litchfield

06/19 ***Harlem String Quartet*** 860-824-7126 \$75  
3:00p Misha Dichter, Piano  
225 Music Mountain Road <http://www.musicmountain.org/index.html>  
Falls Village/Canaan

06/19 **Elizabeth Cook** 860-542-5531 \$22-32  
7:30p I'm not a welder, at least not in the typical sense of the trade. But my daddy is, by way of 2300 hours of training that certified him, courtesy of the Atlanta Federal penitentiary. I myself couldn't put a rod in the thingamajig. And heavy equipment makes me nervous. But I do then to fuse things, confuse things, sometimes with sparks, sometimes like a lava melt, sometimes backed by a tank of compressed air ready to blow, sometimes quiet as a slow leak. The beauty of writing, recording, gigging and the like to me is, when it's right, it comes together and makes a glow in my soul, so intense it pierces a hot afternoon like a hissing firecracker.  
Infinity Hall, Rt. 44  
Norfolk <http://www.infinityhall.com/calendar>



06/20 **The Kerry Boys** Free  
7:00 Irish Balladeers  
Seth Thomas Park, South Main Street  
Thomaston

06/20 **Corey Bush** (860) 824-2637 Free  
2:30p Corey Bush in a solo acoustic performance  
Geer Village, 77 South Canaan Road, Hollenbeck Room  
North Canaan

06/20 **Robert Cray** 860-542-5531 \$ 75-100  
8:00p Robert Cray's This Time – the first studio album on singer-songwriter-guitarist Cray's own imprint Nozzle Records, distributed by Vanguard Records – arrives at a vital juncture in the musician's career, marked by creative renewal and a key reunion with an old performing partner.  
Infinity Hall, Rt. 44  
Norfolk <http://www.infinityhall.com/calendar>



06/21 **Metropolitan Klezmer** 203-431-6501 Free  
7:00p Inspired interpretations and originals around a panorama of eclectic Yiddish repertoire, with musical influences ranging from Eastern European to Zydeco, jazz, Latin, funk etc.  
Ballard Park Rain = Ridgefield Playhouse  
Ridgefield <http://www.chirpct.org/>



06/21 **Naugatuck Community Band** (203) 720-7000 Free  
7:00p Come kick off our summer concert season on the Naugatuck Green. This year's Pops Goes the Summer program promises to be a well rounded festival of toe tapping musical selections. The Naugatuck Community Band will play a program of Patriotic and Popular music. As always the band will play music made famous on Broadway, and a host of patriotic songs and marches. Rain – June 23<sup>th</sup> on the green. Please donate a can of food.  
Naugatuck Town Green (Meadow & Church Streets) <http://naugatuckarts.org/green2011.html>  
Naugatuck

06/21 **Open Mic hosted by Chris Ellis**  
8:30p 59 Bank Street  
New Milford

(860) 350 5995

Free?



06/21 **Eran Troy Danner**

**203-586-2144**

**Free**

6:30- Eran Troy Danner is Connecticut's biggest up and coming performer. Accompanied by  
8:30p his band, they perform music by all the great blues men such as: Freddie King, Albert Collins, BB King, Guitar Slim, Howlin' Wolf, Stevie Ray Vaughn, Robert Johnsons, and Elmore James as well as classic rock and swing. Adding their own twist of the music makes the music their own. They also perform original music off their recently released CD "This Is It", which is being very well received by audiences everywhere.

Front man and band leader Eran Troy Danner immediately takes charge of the evening with his smooth vocal delivery and his heavy Texas tone on guitar. His intense stage presence reaches out, draws audiences in, gets them out on the dance floor and keeps them there. Eran has played the blues circuit in various bands for fifteen years before striking out on his own in 2003. His passion for the blues and incredible talent on guitar and slide guitar is what makes this band a notch above the rest.

In case of inclement weather it will be held in the pavilion on grounds. The Cafe is open 6:00 - 8:00 serving an assortment of sandwiches, salads, snacks, and beverages.

**Gate House Café, 1461 South Britain Road / Rt. 172  
Southbury**

06/22 **Michael McDonald**

(203) 438-5795

\$

**Summer Fundraising Gala**

Open Bar, hors d'oeuvres and Meet and Greet for Gold Circle ticket holders 6:30 – 7:30 pm

Open bar for ALL ticket holders- 7:30-8:30

Live Auction 8:30 pm

Michael McDonald Performance 9:00 pm

"I Keep Forgettin,'" "What a Fool Believes," "Ya Mo Be There," "You Belong To Me," "Takin' It To The Streets," and so many more songs make up the songbook of the blue-eyed soul singer with the husky, soulful baritone voice. Michael McDonald became one of the most distinctive and popular vocalists to emerge from the laid-back California pop/rock scene of the late '70s- when he was in the band Steely Dan and then became the front man for the legendary Doobie Brothers. As a solo artist, McDonald has been just as successful, continuing to release soulful records and putting out the hits- from "Sweet Freedom" to "You Belong to Me" to his rendition of "Living for the City," McDonald does it all! A live show you'll never forget!

Ridgefield Playhouse, 80 East Ridge  
Ridgefield

<http://www.ridgefieldplayhouse.org/allshows.asp>



06/22 **Ekiwah Adler-Belendez;**

860-677-4787

Free

6:30p **Connecticut Poetry Circuit Winners**

**Music by Sirius Coyote**

Ekiwah Adler Beléndez, born in Amatlan, Mexico, was called a child prodigy at age 12 when he published his first book of poetry, *Soy (I Am)*. Ekiwah, now age 23, has since published two more volumes of poetry, each of which has been widely acclaimed by critics. Born with cerebral palsy, Ekiwah has said that "I cannot walk by myself, yet in my poems I not only walk, but give myself license to have eight legs and experience movement." Stone Phillips featured Ekiwah's story on Dateline NBC: [To Save the Body and Voice of a Poet](#). He is the youngest poet to have read at the Dodge Festival (2006

Connecticut Poetry Circuit Winners: Five winners of a Connecticut Poetry Circuit-sponsored, state-wide poetry contest among Connecticut college students will captivate the audience with their work. Poets include (left to right): Joseph Welch, an English major at the University of Connecticut; Tim Pettus, an English major at the University of Hartford; Hannah Watkins, an General Studies major at the Middlesex Community College; Kate Lund, an English major at Yale University; and Luisa Caycedo-Kimura, an English major at Southern Connecticut State University

Sirius Coyote has its roots in the mountains of Morelos, Mexico, where poet Adler-Beléndez was born. The group is proud to be back as part of the 2011 Sunken Garden Poetry Festival. Core members Giovanni Ciarlo, Kathleen Sartor and Dennis Waring have been collaborating for 25 years in music, poetry, dance, theatre, film and life. Their music continues to be a synthesis of eclectic instrumentation, styles and cultural experiences with overtones of sustainability and rhythms of the earth.

Boxed suppers will be available by pre-order purchase, or bring your own picnic from home. Picnicking will be allowed on the West Lawn and in select locations in the Sunken Garden. Hill-Stead's Sunken Garden is wheelchair accessible. Parking: On-site, \$10 per vehicle. Free public parking available on a limited basis at Brickwalk Shops, off High Street.

Hill-Stead Museum, 35 Mountain Road (rain = on site location)

Farmington

[http://www.hillstead.org/activities/poetry\\_performseries.html#facts](http://www.hillstead.org/activities/poetry_performseries.html#facts)



06/22 **Ian Campbell**

(860) 567-7569

Free

7-9p Town Green

Rain = listen to WZBG 97.3 FM

Litchfield

<http://www.litchfieldparksandrecreation.org/id35.htm>

06/22 **Dohn D'Ercole**

860-824-7126

\$27-30

8:00p Classical Bass Guitar

225 Music Mountain Road

Falls Village/Canaan

<http://www.musicmountain.org/index.html>

06/22 **Royhna Vincent**

860-542-5531

\$ 35-55

8:00p To another artist at a similar point in their career, the idea of self-producing a new album, recording it in their own studio, and then releasing it on their own label, would be an unthinkable gamble, fraught with loose ends, complications, and a distracting degree of responsibility. For Rhonda Vincent, however, it is simply the next logical step. Among the most complete and accomplished artists of her generation – in any genre – Vincent was born into a performing family, and from an early age has dedicated herself to understanding and excelling at every element of her craft.

Infinity Hall, Rt. 44, Norfolk

<http://www.infinityhall.com/calendar>

- 06/23 ***And the Men All Singing*** (860) 489-6684 Free/register  
 6:30p ***Music from the Age of Sail***  
 Sailors in the age of sail sang of their exploits, hardships, dangers, longings, and remarkable occurrences on the ocean and in far-off ports. They also coordinated their work with call-and-response songs called chanteys. Thrill to adventure stories from this lost world and join in a rousing chorus. Craig Edwards will play several instruments used on board ship and through story and song will bring to life the experiences of seafarers from earlier times.  
 Torrington Library, 12 Daycoeton Place  
 Torrington
- 06/23 ***Piano Recital – Donald Alfano*** (860) 868-7586 Free  
 6:30p Donald Alfano is a pianist, educator, and author who has performed, taught and lectured in a variety of venues in the US and abroad. He is currently an adjunct professor of Music at Housatonic Community College in Bridgeport, Connecticut, where he teaches Music History and Appreciation and Latin and Caribbean Music. In addition, he serves as organist at St. Joseph’s Church in New Haven. He received his Bachelor of Music Degree from Boston University, College of Fine Arts; his Master of Music Degree from the Manhattan School of Music; and his Doctorate from Case Western Reserve University and The Cleveland Institute of Music.  
 Gunn Memorial Library- Wykeham Room, 5 Wykeham Road  
 Washington
- 06/23 ***JD Souther*** 860-489-7180 \$35-45  
 8:00p Widely recognized as one of the principal architects of the Southern California country-rock sound, Souther played a key role in the formation of the Eagles, co-writing many of their hit songs. Beyond his fundamental work with the Eagles, Souther has collaborated with countless world-renowned musicians including Linda Ronstadt, Crosby, Stills & Nash, Bonnie Raitt, Warren Zevon, Don Henley, Hugh Masekela, Dixie Chicks, India Arie, Roy Orbison, George Strait, Brian Wilson and Trisha Yearwood.  
 Nancy Marine Studio, 68 Main Street [www.Warnertheater.org](http://www.Warnertheater.org)  
 Torrington
- 06/23 ***Stanley Jordan*** 860-542-5531 \$ 30-45  
 8:00p From the moment he made his debut in 1985 with the gold-selling Grammy® nominated album Magic Touch, guitar virtuoso Stanley Jordan has proven himself as a forward thinking innovator. With his nimbly executed “touch” or “tap” technique, he ushered a dazzling and spellbinding new sound into the world of progressive instrumental music. Over the course of five major recordings and several smaller independent releases, Stanley has explored earthly and astral musical trailways.  
 Infinity Hall, Rt. 44 <http://www.infinityhall.com/calendar>  
 Norfolk
- 06/23- ***42nd Street*** (860) 364-7469 \$17-45  
 07/10 Check your worries at the door – this is pure, unadulterated, escapist fun! *42nd Street* is the story of hard work, being in the right place at the right time, talent and love, and a celebration of Broadway and the people involved in shows. It focuses on aspiring chorus girl Peggy Sawyer, and takes us along her journey – every audience enjoys watching the underdog succeed. The cavalcade of musical hits includes: *You're Getting To Be A Habit with Me*, *Dames*, *We're In the Money*, *Lullaby of Broadway*, *Shuffle Off to Buffalo and Forty-Second Street*.  
 TriArts Sharon Playhouse, 49 Amenia Road  
 Sharon

- 06/24 ***All White “Juneteenth” Summer Jam*** 203.346.2002 \$ 22  
 8p-1a Hosted by **DJ ACT!** Dance the night away to your favorite R&B dance jams from the 80s, 90s and today, spun by special guest **DJ Doc Martin**, “The Resident Mixologist” from WBLS radio. Guests will enjoy exclusive ACTJAMS drink specials, food, dance contests and prizes for the best dressed. Wear your whitest wardrobe and join us for a night of style, sophistication and fun!  
 Palace Theater, 100 East Main Street <http://www.palacetheatrect.org/>  
 Waterbury
- 06/24 ***The Fabulous Thunderbirds*** 860-542-5531 \$ 35-55  
 8:00p For over 30 years, The Fabulous Thunderbirds have been the quintessential American band. The group's distinctive and powerful sound, influenced by a diversity of musical styles, manifested itself into a unique musical hybrid via such barnburners as "Tuff Enuff" and "Wrap It Up". Co-founder Kim Wilson, the sole original member, still spearheads the group as it evolves into its newest incarnation.  
 Infinity Hall, Rt. 44 <http://www.infinityhall.com/calendar>  
 Norfolk
- 06/24 ***New Music Recital*** 860.542.3000 Free  
 7:30p The Norfolk Contemporary Ensemble. Featuring music of Ives and Composition Fellows.  
 Norfolk Chamber Music Festival, Routes 44 & 272 (across from the Norfolk Town Green)  
 Norfolk [www.norfolkmusic.org](http://www.norfolkmusic.org)
- 06/24 ***Rita Rudner*** (203) 438-5795 \$58  
 8:00p Rita decided to be a comic by standing in front of inebriated strangers late at night, talking into a microphone and leaving in the bits where people laughed. She has no idea why she leaped from chorus lines to punch lines.....when she was in therapy she forgot to ask. Voted “Best Comedian in Las Vegas” by the Las Vegas Review-Journal for the last eight years, Rita Rudner has become one of Las Vegas’ most beloved performers. In a city of cabarets and production shows, Rudner is one of the few female headliners who has achieved success by keeping her clothes on. After ending a six-year run at New York-New York in August of 2006, during which she sold nearly a million tickets, Rudner began performing nightly in a larger theatre at Harrah’s Las Vegas in October of 2006.  
 Ridgefield Playhouse, 80 East Ridge <http://www.ridgefieldplayhouse.org/allshows.asp>  
 Ridgefield
- 06/25 ***Uriah Heep*** (203) 438-5795 \$50  
 8:00p Uriah Heep debuted in 1970 with the release of one of Hard Rock music’s milestones “Very 'eavy... Very 'umble” and have since sold in excess of 30 millions albums worldwide. They constantly tour in the world, playing in over 53 countries and the band’s live setlist features hits from the 70s and 80s, such as “The Wizard”, “Free ‘n Easy”, “Sunrise” and their monster hits “Easy Livin’”, “July Morning” and “Lady in Black”, as well as new material.  
 Ridgefield Playhouse, 80 East Ridge <http://www.ridgefieldplayhouse.org/allshows.asp>  
 Ridgefield
- 06/25 ***New Music Recital*** 860.542.3000 Free  
 2:00p The Norfolk Contemporary Ensemble. Featuring music of Ives and Composition Fellows.  
 Following the concert, the Yale Summer School of Art will sponsor an art show at 4:00 pm in the Barn and a community picnic at 6:00 pm  
 Norfolk Chamber Music Festival, Routes 44 & 272 (across from the Norfolk Town Green)  
 Norfolk [www.norfolkmusic.org](http://www.norfolkmusic.org)

06/25 **Gayle Martin Henry** 860-354-7264 \$10-20  
8:00p Gayle achieved international prominence as sole American laureate of Moscow's sixth International Tchaikovsky Piano Competition – the third American woman to reach the finals. She has appeared with symphony orchestras throughout the United States, Puerto Rico, Mexico, England, Austria, Poland, Israel, Russia, the Czech Republic and China. In reviewing her 2003 solo Alice Tully concert at Lincoln Center, the New York Concert Review said she created "a truly magical atmosphere."  
Merryall Center for the Arts, 8 Chapel Hill Rd.,  
New Milford,

06/25 **Aztec Two-Step's 40th Anniversary** 8 60-542-5531 \$ 35-50  
8:00p **with friends Buskin & Batteau**  
Taking their name from a Lawrence Ferlinghetti poem and recording the first song ever written about Jack Kerouac's iconic American novel, On The Road, Aztec Two-Step has been described as the bridge to the Beat Generation and instrumental in ushering the music of the 1960's into the 70's and beyond. For four decades, Rex Fowler and Neal Shulman have been writing and performing songs that helped make their generation's musical memories, all the while inspiring a generation of young singer-songwriters.  
Infinity Hall, Rt. 44 <http://www.infinityhall.com/calendar>  
Norfolk

06/25 **South Shore Syncopators** 860-824-7126 \$27-30  
6:30p Our Saturday evening twilight concerts allow you to tap your toes in your seat or while dancing on our outdoor dance floor to the music of the Long Island's Premiere Dance Orchestra specializing in the music of the 1920's & 1930's  
225 Music Mountain Road <http://www.musicmountain.org/index.html>  
Falls Village/Canaan

06/25 **An Evening with Ronan Tynan** 203.346.2002 \$ 45-75  
8:00p A true modern day "Renaissance Man," Ronan Tynan has been faced with numerous challenges throughout his life and has persevered with enormous passion and determination. Introduced to international audiences as a member of the Irish Tenors, Tynan quickly became known for his unique voice and irresistible appeal. Following his mother's advice to always follow your dreams, Tynan launched a solo career and has achieved the fame and adoration that only existed only in his dreams.  
Palace Theater, 100 East Main Street <http://www.palacetheatrect.org/>  
Waterbury

06/26 **St. Petersburg String Quartet** 860-824-7126 \$27-30  
3:00p 225 Music Mountain Road <http://www.musicmountain.org/index.html>  
Falls Village/Canaan



06/27 **The Cub** Free  
7:00 Acoustic / Folk / Indie  
Seth Thomas Park, South Main Street  
Thomaston

06/27 **Faculty Artists: Melvin Chen** (860) 435-3775 Free

7:30p **& 2011 Portals (Resident Quartet)**

Katherine M. Elfers Hall, The Hotchkiss School, 11 Interlaken Road

Lakeville

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06/27 **An Evening of Cabaret at the Palace** 203.346.2002 \$ 45-100

7:00p Join us for *An Evening of Cabaret at the Palace*, a fundraiser and celebration for the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI) The celebratory evening will be headlined by three acclaimed New York City cabaret singers, including Waterbury's own **Sue Trosell Matsuki, Jeanne MacDonald** and **Miles Phillips**. The event begins with a **7:00pm hors d'oeuvre reception**, which will be followed by an **8:00pm live Cabaret Show** featuring selections from the American Songbook, and a few surprises along the way!

Palace Theater, 100 East Main Street  
Waterbury

<http://www.palacetheatrect.org/>

06/27 **Uriah Heep** 860-542-5531 \$ 50-65

8:00p Led by founding member Mick Box, along with a line-up that has been together for two decades, Uriah Heep is a band name that is instantly recognized. Known for their unique blend of melodic songs, and trademark multi-part harmony vocals with a hard rock drive, the band continues a worldwide touring tradition!

Infinity Hall, Rt. 44  
Norfolk

<http://www.infinityhall.com/calendar>



06/27 **Michael Franti & Spearhead** (415)256-8499 \$26-37

7:00p **with Grace Potter & the Nocturnals**

There will be an opening act. Grace Potter is scheduled to go on at 7:15 with Michael Franti and Spearhead taking the stage at 9:15 p.m.

Ives Concert Park, 43 Lake Avenue Extension  
Danbury



06/28 **Slaid Cleaves** 203-431-6501 Free

7:00p Twangy country, Dust Bowl Folk, and "one of the finest singersongwriters from Texas,"

Ballard Park Rain = Ridgefield Playhouse

Ridgefield

<http://www.chirpct.org/>

06/28 **Open Mic hosted by Chris Ellis** (860) 350 5995 Free?

8:30p 59 Bank Street

New Milford



06/28 ***Eight to the Bar***

203-586-2144 Free

6:30- Drawing its musical influences from American roots music - swing, boogie woogie, rhythm & blues, soul, Motown, - Eight to the Bar is known for its outstanding instrumentalists and sophisticated musical and vocal arrangements, highlighted by female vocals. With the support of independently-produced albums and videos, Eight to the Bar has cultivated a large, enthusiastic following that has put them in clubs from Disneyland to Disney World as well as Europe and the Caribbean. Their rigorous performing schedule (approximately 200 dates per year), has included opening spots for Big Bad Voodoo Daddy, Manhattan Transfer, Robert Cray, Neil Young, Roy Orbison, and Ray Charles.

In case of inclement weather it will be held in the pavilion on grounds. The Cafe is open 6:00 - 8:00 serving an assortment of sandwiches, salads, snacks, and beverages.

Gate House Café, 1461 South Britain Road / Rt. 172  
Southbury



06/28 ***Marty Q***

(203) 720-7000 Free

7:00p A Must See playing music old and new, from Sinatra to Santana; to 70's, 80's Funk, Motown & Rock & Roll (Groups like Bon Jovi U2 & Beatles). Bring a can of food to donate. Rain = 06/30 on the green. Naugatuck Town Green (Meadow & Church Streets) <http://naugatuckarts.org/green2011.html>  
Naugatuck



06/29 ***102nd Army Band***

(860) 567-7569 Free

7-9p Town Green Rain = listen to WZBG 97.3 FM  
Litchfield <http://www.litchfieldparksandrecreation.org/id35.htm>

06/30 ***Steve Martin***

860-489-7180 \$46-100

8:00p Emmy & Grammy Award Winning actor, comedian, writer, playwright, producer, musician and composer, Steve Martin, along with American bluegrass band, The Steep Canyon Rangers will perform on the Warner Stage on Thursday, June 30. Martin has proven himself to be one of the most diversified performers in the entertainment industry today. Treat yourself to an evening of serious bluegrass music along with hilarious, witty insightful stories when Steve Martin brings his "Evening of Bluegrass & Banjo" to the Warner Warner Theater, 68 Main Street Torrington [www.Warnertheater.org](http://www.Warnertheater.org)



06/30 **Eliza Gilkyson** 203-431-6501 Free  
7:00p "Edgy lyrics...piercing imagery...a lush and passionate voice." (NY Times) Winner of multiple Americana music awards. Another of CHIRP's most Requested artists.  
Ballard Park Rain = Ridgefield Playhouse  
Ridgefield <http://www.chirpct.org/>

06/30 **Nils Lofgren** (203) 438-5795 \$55-60  
8:00p Bruce Springsteen's E Street Band guitarist for more than 25 years, Nils Lofgren has made a name for himself in the music industry – performing with everyone from Ringo Starr to Robert Plant to Neil Young. From humble beginnings playing the accordion at age 5, to going professional at age 17, Nils' career has spanned 4 decades and he shows no signs of stopping. Before joining Bruce Springsteen and the E Street Band as the replacement for Steven Van Zandt on guitar and vocals in 1984 for Springsteen's massive Born in the U.S.A. Tour, he was a member of Crazy Horse as well as his own band Grin. His last album back in 2008, "The Loner, Nils Sings Neil" features cover songs by Neil Young, and he recently finished up another tour with Bruce Springsteen. Now he's coming to Ridgefield with his arsenal of songs stripped down for an amazing acoustic duo show!  
Ridgefield Playhouse, 80 East Ridge <http://www.ridgefieldplayhouse.org/allshows.asp>  
Ridgefield

06/30 **Early Elton** 860-542-5531 \$ 26-46  
8:00p **A Tribute to the Trio Tours of '70 – 72**  
Early Elton is a Tribute to the Elton John, Dee Murray and Nigel Olsson trio tours of 1970 - 1972, featuring Jeff Kazee (piano, vocals), Rich Pagano (drums and vocals) and John Conte (bass and vocals). As the story goes, Elton's label didn't have the funds to send him out to tour the US with a full band, yet Elton needed to promote his imminent releases. Having decided on Dee and Nigel, Elton then rearranged the songs and vocals to fit within the limitations of his new lineup. Suddenly, a new sound emerged that was both raw and poignant  
Infinity Hall, Rt. 44 <http://www.infinityhall.com/calendar>  
Norfolk